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[Note—We are publishing once a week, a series of articles under this title, culled from the back files of the China Mail. Should these articles induce any old China Hand to put his recollections of those days on paper, we shall be most happy to print them.—Ed., C. M.]

TYPHOON SIGNALS.

There is a paragraph in the issue of June 19th, 1879, to the effect that a notice has been issued by the Harbour Master stating that in the event of bad weather being apprehended by his Department a black flag will be hoisted at the Harbour Office flag-staff and a similar sign, hoisted at a gun fired from the Police Mole. There is added an intimation that these signals will not be considered as relieving masters of ships from their proper responsibilities but are intended only as calling attention of the mercantile marine to any change of weather which is expected by the Department. In a later issue it is recorded that notices explaining the signals in Chinese have been posted all through the Colony.

BAND CONCERNS.

In view of the entire lack of open-air band concerts on an organized scale in the Colony at present it is doubly interesting to read of weekly programmes rendered by a Regimental band in the Botanic Gardens. The concerts were given on Tuesdays, alternately in the afternoon and in the evening. When there was no brilliant moonlight the Gardens were specially illuminated, and it appears that these weekly concerts were extremely popular.

DANGEROUS FIRES.

On June the 19th a disastrous fire broke out in Saiyungpoo by which eight houses were totally destroyed. From the account in the China Mail it appears that there were many exciting and risky deeds performed by the large body of assistants engaged in the putting out of the flames, these including the Fire Brigade, the Police, and a body of blue-jackets from three ships in the harbour.

UNION CHURCH.

There was a large attendance at a meeting held on June 20th of members and seceders to consider the state and prospects of the Union Church. From the account of the gathering it seems that the pulpit had been vacant for 14 months and that the London Missionary Society had been informed of the resignation of Mr Lamont a year and half previously. A telegram having been received to the effect that no pastor had yet been appointed a resolution was proposed that the London Missionary Society be asked to waive their power of veto upon such appointment or sever its connection with the Union Church which existed under the Trust. Some discussion ensued in which general disapproval was expressed at the tardiness shown by the Society at Home to assist the congregation. An amendment was eventually proposed and agreed to acknowledging the Society's services in the past and asking either that a pastor be appointed or a severance of the Society's connection be effected. It was further stated that a movement was on foot to take steps to affiliate the Church with the English Presbyterian Mission but discussion on that point was reserved pending the reply from London. The Rev. J. C. Edger and Dr. Chalmers were tendered thanks for their past assistance, and the latter promised to hold one service a week until the decision of the directors of the London Missionary Society had been received.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

On the 21st of June members of the Hongkong Rifle Shooting Club competed at the "Kowloon" range for a silver cup, which was eventually won by Sgt. Barnes of the 27th Regt., who scored four bull's eyes at each range as well as three centres at each distance. The cup was afterwards presented by Inspector Cameron, the President of the Club.

AN UNFULFILLED PROMISE.

In the China Mail of June 23rd there appears a paragraph pointing out that a new wharf is being erected at "Yau-mah-to" (Yammat), that the market at the same place is nearly completed and should prove a great boon to the villagers. Some paragraphs elsewhere: "Yau-mah-to promises to become a very important part of the Colony and Government are sparing no expense in their endeavours to make it a desirable place of residence. The streets are being laid out with a view to future exigencies and a few years more may see a large town where until very recently there were only a few hovels."

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No. 27 of 1908.

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Contractor.**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

that an application has been made to the

Court by the above-named Debtor TANG

King to rescind the Receiver Order made

on the 12th day of November 1908, made against

him in the above matter on the ground

that he, the said TANG King, has entered

into an arrangement with his creditors and

the Court has ordered that notice of such

arrangement shall be advertised and that any

creditor who is not at this date a party to

such arrangement and who has any objection

to the said Receiver Order being

rescinded shall furnish particulars of his

objection to the Official Receiver within 15

days from this date after which date if no

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THE OPINION QUESTION.

Unofficial Members Protest
in Council.

BILL PASSED THIRD READING.

(Continued from Page 5.)

Hon. Mr. Hewitt—I do not see why you

should not call for alternative tenders,

and it is just as easy to call for tenders

now. The plan put forward by the Colonial

Secretary about time getting on, and that

we must not waste any more, seems to me

a little one. The Government have

known for the last fourteen months what

the intention of the Home Government

was, and there is no reason why this bill

should not have been before Council six

months ago. We have rather been taken

unawares, and we are asked to pass this

bill although the Government are perfectly

well aware that we are opposed to it.

The Colonial Secretary—You know I

year ago that it was to be passed, and have

had plenty of time to discuss it.

Hon. Mr. Hewitt—Knowing what the

opposition of the colony is, I think this

bill should have been put before us earlier.

I think it is a very poor argument

that the Government should come for-

ward now and ask us to rush the bill

through before a certain date. I for one,

representing the unofficial members of the

community, wish to make my protest.

Hon. Mr. Gresson—I cannot see why you

want a definite tender. If you agree to do

what we are asking you can get all your

figures together, and the Treasurer can get

on and prepare the estimates. I cannot

see how it affects a man who is going to

make up the budget, but accept of the

tender. That is to say, that the

Government has to accept a tender although

the Council has not passed a resolution

enabling it to do so.

Hon. Mr. Stewart—Outside the hope is

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General Memoranda.

Monday, June 28.—
2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c. at No. 1, The Albany.
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at the
Public Works Department Office.
5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Recre-
ation Club at the Gymnasium.
Goods per *Armande* unloaded after this
date at Noon will be subject to
rent and landing charges.
Goods per *Benwick* unloaded after this
date subject to rent.
Goods per *Koro* unloaded at noon on this
date subject to rent.
Tuesday, June 29.—
5 p.m.—Auction of Postage Stamps at
Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Sepora* unloaded after this
date subject to rent.
Wednesday, June 30.—
11 a.m.—Auction of Ladies' Blouses,
Skirts & Underwear, at Mr Geo. P.
Lammer's Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Alway* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 1909.

THE ETERNAL QUESTION.

With the wisdom that so often follows
the event the Earl of Cromwell now
acknowledges that the Opium ques-
tion is beset with many difficulties.
What a contrast this is to his atti-
tude of a little more than a year
ago! Of course on this occasion he
was addressing a distinctly different
audience to that to which he spoke
when he airily insulted Hongkong by de-
claring that it was impossible to obtain
a "reasoned opinion" from this Colony.
The Corona Club was formed by a late
permanent official in the Colonial Office
for the purpose of creating a centre in
London at which officials from the
Colonial Office and the men who have
been engaged in administering our
Colonies abroad can foregather and get
in closer touch with one another than
is possible in the ordinary routine of
official life. The men that attend at its
stated dinners are therefore men of
affairs who have had to thrash out in
their various spheres of influence many
of the knotty questions which the
Colonial Secretary only hears about
after they have been solved. To speak
before such men, therefore, requires a
different mental attitude than that
usually adopted by Cabinet ministers
when answering questions or seeking to
obtain a temporary political advantage
in the House of Commons. They are
the men who know, not enthusiasts,
fanatics, or ignoramuses, and words
uttered in their presence must be care-
fully weighed. Lord Cromwell paid a
well-deserved tribute to the labours of
Sir Cecil Clement Smith and the
Shanghai Opium Conference, but we
do not observe that he made any re-
ference to Sir Frederick Lugard's
Memorandum on the Opium Question.
Perhaps he prefers to consider that still
as a confidential document, though it
has long since seen the light of day.
We shall be very sorry if that is the
attitude which Lord Cromwell has assumed
regarding this particular State paper, for

to our mind it is one of the most lucid,
most thorough, and most fair-minded ex-
positions of the whole Opium question
we have ever had the pleasure of read-
ing, and in this opinion we know we
are supported by the whole of the
reasoned opinion of the Colony of
Hongkong.

Lord Cromwell's confession comes too
late in the day, however, to materially
alter the situation so far as it affects
Hongkong. The Home Government has
definitely made up its mind that the
opium-divans must be closed and the
opium-using habit driven underground,
or at least from the sight of the
passer-by and Hongkong as a Crown
Colony must acquiesce and rearrange
the burden of its taxation accordingly.
The passing on Thursday of the
amended Prepared Opium Ordinance
will of course clear the way very
materially for the Colonial Treasurer
for it will enable him to draw up his
estimates for the coming year with the
figures of the Opium Farm tender before
him, though we quite agree with the
Unofficial Members of the Legislative
Council that a more excellent way of
arriving at the same end might have
been devised. They registered their
formal protest, however, though after
His Excellency's explanation, which
closed the debate, they could not do
otherwise than pass the Bill.

We are glad that Mr Murray Stewart
took the high ground he did in this
debate, for it is indeed hateful, as he says,
to be reduced by circumstances into
haggling about money when appealed
to on grounds of paramount duty to
civilization. But this apart, it is the
duty of the Unofficials to safeguard the
interests of the taxpayers and they can
not allow questions of revenue to be
settled over their heads without raising
a voice against the mere suggestion of
any arbitrary line of procedure. To do
otherwise would be to show a strange
misconception of their position vis-à-vis
the Colony. We are afraid, however,
that the ordinary official is still apt to
unofficially members of Council towards
the administration, hence the asperity
of many remarks which fall from their
lips and the indiscriminating nature of
the votes which they cast. But as this
line of thought opens up a very wide
field and has not particular reference
to the main subject of Thursday's
debate, we refrain from following it
further to-day.

In closing we would like to remark
that we do not think the Liberal Govern-
ment at present in power will make us
question of a grant-in-aid to Hongkong
as a test of such paramount impor-
tance that its rejection would amount
to a defeat of the Government. De-
spite Sir Frederick Lugard's contrary
opinion, we feel sure, to use a vulgarism
of the moment, Hongkong is much too
small a potato for that. Though a
defeat of the present administration
is a consummation devoutly to be
wished, it will not come about on such
a question as the implementing of a
Secretary of State's promise to a far
distant Colony of the Crown.

The report of the auditors of the
Messageries Maritimes shows that the
well-known institution has not escaped the
depression which has affected so many
other shipping organizations. In the cir-
cumstances there is to be no dividend.
The receipts from passengers and merchan-
dise show a diminution of about £170,000.
The amount received from the State in
the shape of subsidies increased by some
£28,000, owing to the operation of the
convention respecting the South American
mail service. But the promises on naviga-
tion were less by over £11,000, so that the
net result was about £215,000.
The French Government was about £15,000
less than in any previous year of the company's
existence. This was due to the increased
tonnage of the fleet and the longer voyages
made, as well as to the rise in the price of
fuel. Sugar duties also cost more, and
the auditors make the significant remark
that, in their judgment, the increase in the
tonnage of the ships in service more than
counterbalances the recent reduction of
dues.

PAIN IN THE STOMACH.
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able, to be troubled with pains in the
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Mail will contain a full report of the week's
heating of the Dixon case, the discussion in
the Legislative Council, besides all other
local news and latest telegrams. Orders for
extra copies should be sent to this office
as promptly as possible, as the supply is
limited.

DEATH OF MR C. DALE.

We regret to announce the death of Mr
C. Dale, which occurred on board the
s.s. Prince Waldemar on route for
Australia. Mr C. Dale, until a few weeks
ago, was accountant at the Daily Press
office and left for home by the Waldemar.
His numerous friends will deeply regret
his untimely death.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock
Company, Ltd., has obtained the contract
to build six steel lorches for the Chief
Quartermaster's department of the Philip-
pines.

We have been asked to mention that
Mr Lammer's sale of ladies' blouses, skirts,
and underwear advertised for to-morrow
has been postponed till Wednesday next,
31st inst., commencing at the same hour.

The Bishop of Victoria, assisted
by the Rev. G. A. Bunbury as Chaplain,
confirmed twenty-nine Chinese at St.
Stephen's Church, West Point, on Wednes-
day. The candidates were presented by the
Rev. Fok Tying Shan.

The Star Cinematograph is offering new
attractions. The Engel Troupe in comic
songs and dances are well worth a visit.
There is an entire change of programme
to-morrow and prices for the matinee at 4
p.m. are reduced to 20, 30 and 50 cents.

Mr Fujimura, of the Independent
News Agency, entertained some of the
leading Japanese business men and foreign
and Chinese journalists of Hongkong, to
lunch to-day on board the Tange Maru. Mr
Fujimura leaves for Japan by the Awa
Maru.

Mr Walter Loxton, who went to Japan
four years ago and became superintendent
of police at Yokohama, moving
later to Osaka, while lately he
has been Secretary of the Kobe Pilots'
Association, has died at Kobe, leaving a
wife and large family to mourn his loss.

According to the *Asahi*, Mr Kodama
Otomatsu, said to be a well-known explorer
in the South Sea Islands, who has been
recuperating at his home in Fukuoka, has
left for further adventures in the
Galapagos and New Guinea. He will then
proceed to Albany, Western Australia,
from whence he will start in search of the
South Pole.

COMPANY MEETING.

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The second ordinary annual meeting of
shareholders of Messrs H. Price and Co.,
Ltd., was held at the Company's Office,
12, Queen's Road Central, to-day.

Mr P. Loureiro presided in the absence
of the chairman, Mr J. Scott. Present,
there were present Messrs A. Bunjohn,
J. J. Blake, Chan Kai Ming, To Tai Chan
and the manager Mr A. E. Robinson.

Mr Robinson read the notice convening
the meeting.
The chairman said:—Gentlemen, the
report and accounts (having been in your
hands for some days past) I propose to
follow the usual custom and take them
as read. As you will notice from the
balance sheet, the directors thought it
advisable, after writing off all apparent
bad debts, to make a further provision
of \$2,000 as a reserve for bad and
doubtful debts. The directors regret that
the result of the past year's working has
not been so satisfactory as they would wish
to have seen but taking everything into con-
sideration it must be admitted that on the
whole the result is satisfactory. Our busi-
ness showed an increase of about 25% over
the previous year in spite of the depression
which is still with us and which has not
yet shown much sign of improvement.
Exchange has been against us during the
whole period under review, but in order to
induce the support of the public we have
not deemed it advisable to increase our
prices, which were based on a 2% dollar.
Before moving the adoption of the report
and statement of accounts for the year
1908, I shall be pleased to answer any
question that may be put to me to the best
of my ability.

Mr Blake said:—There is one item in the
accounts and that is that the amount shown
for bad and doubtful debts is enormous and
I think that a little care on the part
of the office staff would tend to reduce
them. We all know there are people in
this colony who get credit without paying
at all.

The chairman said that the directors
fully appreciated the point which had
been before them at all their meetings
and they had impressed upon their manager
the necessity of keeping a close eye on
these accounts.

Mr Blake asked if they were debts con-
tracted by residents or people in the
harbour.
The chairman replied that they were
equally divided. They could not press peo-
ple too much or they would transfer their
custom elsewhere.

There being no further questions the
chairman proposed the adoption of the
report and accounts.

Mr J. Blake seconded and the motion
was carried.
The chairman:—Dividend warrants
are ready and may be had on application to
the manager. Thank you for your attend-
ance.

The report was as follows:—The direc-
tors have the pleasure to submit their
report and statement of accounts for the
year ended 31st December, 1908. The net
profit for the period amounts to \$10,016.75,
of which has to be added the balance
brought forward from 1907, \$251.05, leav-
ing \$10,267.80 at the credit of profit and
loss account, which the directors propose
appropriating as follows:—To pay a divi-
dend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum
for the year, viz. \$821.34, leaving a bal-
ance of \$9,446.46, absorbing \$4,000.00, to
carry forward to next account, \$5,446.46,
making a total of \$10,267.80.

BIRTHDAY HONOURS.

KNIGHTHOODS FOR WELL-
KNOWN PLAYWRIGHTS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, June 25.

The King's Birthday Honours list
provides for the creation of five Privy
Councillors, including the Premier of
the Cape Colony (the Hon. Mr John X.
Marrimann); twelve baronets; and
over 30 knight-hoods. Most of the re-
cipients are members of the House of
Commons.

The knight-hoods include Mr Beer-
holm Tree and Mr Arthur W. Pinero.

MEN IN THE EAST WHOM THE
KING DELIGHTS TO
HONOUR.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, June 25.

The Birthday Honours include the
Cross of the Order of St. Michael and
St. George for Sir John Anderson,
Governor of the Straits Settlements;
Companionships of St. Michael and St.
George for Mr H. Conway Belfield,
British Resident of Kuala Lumpur,
Selangor; His Honour F. F. A. Bourne,
Assistant Judge of H. B. M. Court for
China; Mr W. R. D. Beckett, British
Consul at Bangkok; and the Com-
mandership of the Bath, Civil Division,
for Sir John Jordan, British Minister at
Peking.

SIR ROBERT HART.

EXTENSION OF LEAVE
ASKED FOR.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, June 25.

Sir Edward Grey, in reply to Mr
William Redmond, said the Government
understands that Sir Robert Hart has
applied to China for a year's extension
of leave. This is the reason why no
intimation has been given regarding the
appointment of a successor.

A BLOW TO THE GERMAN
GOVERNMENT.

DEATH DUTIES REJECTED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, June 25.

The Reichstag has rejected by 195
votes to 187 the modified death duties
which form the main plank of the
Government's financial proposals.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

It is said in Japan that Sir Robert Hart
has applied for an extension of leave on the
ground of unsatisfactory health.

Major-General W. C. S. Clarke, late
Indian Army, died at Bournemouth recent-
ly. He took part in the suppression of
Southern rebellion in 1855-56, and the China
war in 1860.

At a large missionary exhibition which
is taking place in Cornwall, and at which
Sir Robert Hart is one of the speakers, the
Rev. C. Bone (Hongkong) and Dr Weyson
are the lecturers on China.

Mr J. H. Snodgrass, formerly U. S.
Consul at Kobe, has been transferred to
Moscow. Mr J. Hunter Sharp, also a
former Kobe Consul, but now at Moscow,
being promoted to the U. S. Consulate at
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JAPANESE AMBASSADOR RETURNING.

(Independent News Agency's Service
to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, June 24.

M. Takahira, Ambassador to Wash-
ington, is coming home on short
furlough after the close of Congress.

STATUS OF THE HIGHER
COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.

(Independent News Agency's Service
to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, June 24.

The question regarding the status of
the Higher Commercial School has been
definitely settled by a decision of the
Cabinet to postpone for six years,
instead of two, the abolition of the
postgraduate Department.

THE CHIHLI
VICEROYALTY.

(Wah Ts. Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, June 24.

It is proposed to appoint Governor
Yuen Shi-fan as Acting Viceroy of
Chihli.

OBSERVANCE OF
CHINESE PRESS LAWS.

(Wah Ts. Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, June 24.

The Board of Interior has requested
the Board of Foreign Affairs to ask the
various foreign Ministers to issue orders
that all Chinese newspapers in their
respective newly conquered territories shall
observe the newly framed Chinese press
laws.

A VICEROY DISMISSED.

(Wah Ts. Yat Po's Service.)
Peking, June 24.

Viceroy Sing Yun, of Kansu, is
dismissed from office on account of
his having submitted a memorial in
opposition to the establishment of a
Constitution.

MR STUART FULLER TO BE
PROMOTED.

President Taft has nominated Mr Stuart
Fuller, American Vice-Consul at Hong-
kong, who, since the transference of his
distinguished superior, Dr Amos P. Wilder,
to Shanghai, has been in charge of the
consulate, to be Consul General at Goben-
burg, Sweden. The Senate has confirmed
the appointment.

Mr Fuller is deservedly popular in
the official and social life of the Colony,
in fact, so much so, that it is not
too much to say that the community
of Hongkong would have rejoiced had
he been selected to fill the position
vacated by Dr Wilder. At the same time
his numerous friends will extend to him
their warm congratulations on his promo-
tion. In several of his farewell speeches
Dr Wilder paid glowing tributes to the
splendid work Mr Fuller had done and the
valuable assistance he had been to him as
an official.

Mr Charles L. Hoover, of the Philippine
Islands, is nominated to be Consul at
Madrid; Mr Carl F. Deichmann, now at
Tientsin, is to be transferred to Nagasaki,
the vacancy at Tientsin being taken by Mr
Rash, now at Manilla.

The rich plum of the American Consular
service has fallen to Mr John T. Griffiths,
Consul at Liverpool, who is transferred
to the Consulate-General in London, as
successor to Mr Robert F. Wynne.

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SOLICITOR'S CONDUCT
QUESTIONED.

CONCLUSION OF THE CASE.

Judgment Reserved.

For the eighth day their Lordships the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gomersall) were occupied at the Supreme Court this morning in the hearing of the action in which Mr. C. F. Dixon, formerly a solicitor in the firm of Messrs Hastings and Hastings, was required to show cause why he should not be struck off the rolls.

Mr. E. Potter (instructed by Mr. U. D. Wilkinson) was for the applicant (Mr. John Hastings), and Mr. H. G. Calhoun (instructed by Mr. J. Scott Hamilton) represented defendant. This was the concluding day of the action.

At 11 o'clock Mr. Potter rose to reply on behalf of the applicant. In the course of a lengthy speech he said the result of the case was as important to Mr. John Hastings as to the defendant, for if the defendant had taken it on himself to change Mr. John Hastings' name, he would have been liable to a fine of £200, and who had lived in this Colony for 22 years, and who had had an honourable career in the Colony, and who was now about to leave the Colony, with having committed these serious criminal offences. He (Mr. Potter) would show their Lordships that they would be compelled to decide between these two men before they could come to any judgment in the case. He would further show that it would not be possible for their Lordships to say that either Mr. Hastings or Mr. Dixon might be mistaken, but that one or other of them must be swearing to that which was false. No mistake was possible; there was no middle course open to the Court, they had to decide which of the two was telling the truth. What was the motive suggested by Mr. Dixon? In order to save salary and commission Mr. Hastings had gone into Court and perjured himself and had gone round and collected witnesses and entered into a criminal conspiracy with them in order to ruin Mr. Dixon. That was the motive, and the only one, why this man who was now about to leave the Colony, for ever perhaps, should attempt at the end of his career to ruin this man by perjury and criminal conspiracy. Proceeding Mr. Potter said that Mr. Hastings must have noticed that Mr. Dixon hesitated, and hesitated for a long time, before he would go so far as to say Mr. Hastings had perjured himself. He clearly saw it was practically an impossible position to take up. There was no motive, and they could not expect perjury and criminal conspiracy without a motive. So at first Mr. Dixon said Mr. Hastings had been misled, then he said Mr. Hastings had misinterpreted the interview, then that Mr. Hastings had wilfully misinterpreted his admission of having taken the firm's money, and finally he had to admit that he charged Mr. Hastings with perjury. But Mr. Dixon's counsel had hesitated to go so far. There was no accusation of perjury by Mr. Calhoun; the point was made to suppose that Mr. Dixon had made any confession, and, as to suggesting any motive, he passed that by altogether. That clearly showed that this position Mr. Dixon had taken up was an untenable position, and that the charge was one which any person who knew Mr. Hastings and his career would practically find it impossible to accept. What was Mr. Dixon's defence to the case? A total denial of the evidence given by the witnesses. Mr. Potter proceeded to deal with admissions made by Mr. Dixon during the case. The first admission, he said, was in reference to receiving presents of money amounting to \$500. Mr. Dixon said that the question of presents was mentioned at the interview, but that was never put down in Mr. Dixon's affidavit. Mr. Hastings was never cross-examined about it, and it was obviously brought out as a mere afterthought. And for why? The reason was clear. Mr. Dixon had suggested it himself, because he said, in cross-examination, that Mr. Hastings had misinterpreted his admission about presents into a confession that he had taken money which belonged to the office. Therefore he (Mr. Potter) said that that question of presents had been put forward by defendant in an attempt to explain away these damning admissions which were made by Mr. Dixon, as applicant alleged. He had put it forward as the only plausible or conceivable way of explaining the admission, but it was a way which now could not explain these admissions because Mr. Dixon was compelled to admit in cross-examination that it was either perjury or nothing. The next admission to which he would call attention was that although Mr. Dixon testified that he knew that Mr. Hastings was perjuror, and he knew that the "most substantial rights" under the agreement dated April 12th, he was willing to forego those rights and enter into an agreement with the man who had charged him, if he allowed him to practice in the Colony. He was, in other words, willing to let the man who was charged with perjury practice in the Colony, a charge which was already known by three firms of solicitors with whom Mr. Dixon would naturally come into contact. He (Mr. Potter) submitted that was not the conduct of an honest man. Mr. Potter went on to deal with other statements of Mr. Dixon's, and, commenting on the account of monthly expenses which defendant had put in, said it was an obviously misleading one, and was in reality merely an estimate of the balance of the account. Counsel proceeded to analyze the evidence of other witnesses. He said Mr. Calhoun had suggested that the case was on all fours with a criminal case. "Very well," looking at it from that point of view, their Lordships were aware that it was a criminal case, but it was not a criminal case in the sense of a criminal case, it was a case of perjury and criminal conspiracy. The Chief Justice said—Supporting one of us were of opinion that the charges fall, what are you going to do with the confessions? Are we to exercise our disciplinary powers on the confessions?

Mr. Potter—I have not considered the point, actually, my Lord, but personally I should have thought your Lordships would be quite entitled to exercise your disciplinary powers, because you are dealing with a confession, and you have to decide whether a certain person is to continue as your servant. If your Lordships come to the conclusion that the confessions in themselves amount to sufficient conduct to prove gross misconduct, your Lordships would be within your rights in punishing the defendant.

The Chief Justice—You say that the confession standing by itself, although not formulated into a charge, is brought to our notice on the motion?

Mr. Potter—Certainly, my Lord; there is no doubt about that. If your Lordships did come to the conclusion that these confessions were proved it would be quite competent for you to deal with defendant as you think fit, because you exercise disciplinary jurisdiction.

Mr. Calhoun replied to the point raised, contending that only the specific charges could be considered.

After further argument, their Lordships intimated that their decision was reserved.

LICENSING APPLICATION.

A meeting of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace was held at the Magistrate's Court this afternoon for the purpose of considering the following application from R. H. Whitaker for permission to remove the business now carried on by him under a Publican's Licence on premises numbered 40, 41, and 42, Praya East, under the sign of "The Praya East Hotel" to premises numbered 1, Queen's Road East, under the name of "The Victoria Hotel."

Mr. F. A. Hazland presided and there were present Messrs J. H. Kemp, F. J. Badley, H. R. Craig, E. A. Irving, G. D. Melbourne, and A. Shelton Hooper.

Mr. Barlow appeared for the applicant and objected to Mr. Hooper acting as a justice, being an interested party, namely the agent of the owner.

The application was refused. Messrs Hooper and Melbourne did not vote.

SPORTING.

Water Polo.

The Corinthian Yacht Club defeated the 88th Co., R.G.A., in a water polo match on Thursday evening by six goals to nil.

Hongkong Water Polo Association.

The rounds and byes in connection with the Hongkong Water Polo Association for the season 1909 are as follows:—

1st Round.—Lusitano, R. C. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.; 87th Co., R.G.A. v. Buffs; 88th Co., R.G.A. v. V.R.C.; B.O.C. v. C. Y. C.

2nd Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 10th July.

3rd Round.—83rd Co., R.G.A. v. Buffs; L.R.C. v. V.R.C.; 87th Co., R.G.A. v. C.Y.C.; 88th Co., R.G.A. v. R.E.

4th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 17th July.

5th Round.—Buffs v. V.R.C.; 83rd Co., R.G.A. v. C.Y.C.; L.R.C. v. R.E.; 87th Co., R.G.A. v. B.O.C.

6th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 24th July.

7th Round.—V.R.C. v. R.E.; 83rd Co., R.G.A. v. B.O.C.; L.R.C. v. 87th Co., R.G.A.

8th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 31st July.

9th Round.—V.R.C. v. R.E.; V.R.C. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.; 87th Co., R.G.A. v. B.O.C.; L.R.C. v. 88th Co., R.G.A.

10th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 7th August.

11th Round.—R.E. v. B.O.C.; C.Y.C. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.; V.R.C. v. 87th Co., R.G.A.; L.R.C. v. 88th Co., R.G.A.

12th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 14th August.

13th Round.—B.O.C. v. 88th Co., R.G.A.; R.E. v. 87th Co., R.G.A.; C.Y.C. v. L.R.C.; V.R.C. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.

14th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 21st August.

15th Round.—88th Co., R.G.A. v. 87th Co., R.G.A.; B.O.C. v. L.R.C.; R.E. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.; C.Y.C. v. Buffs.

16th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 28th August.

17th Round.—87th Co., R.G.A. v. 83rd Co., R.G.A.; 88th Co., R.G.A. v. B.O.C.; R.E. v. V.R.C.; C.Y.C. v. L.R.C.

18th Round.—Bye.—To be completed by 4th September.

19th Round.—The official referee was Mr. T. Meek. The official referee was Messrs A. Alves, E. Harbick, F. Lamart, and W. J. Carroll refereed.

Rifle Shooting.

A cup shoot for the members of No. 1 Coy., B.K. V.C. takes place at King's Park Range next Sunday; shooting commencing at 9 a.m.

HONGKONG TENNIS LEAGUE.

The fixtures for Saturday July—

Rowland v. Schoolmasters.

Teste v. L. L. L.

Civil Service v. Chinese Y.M.C.A.

Craigie v. Y. M. C. A.

The Schoolmasters' team is—Messrs R. E. O. Bird, H. L. O. Garrett, A. R. Sutherland and R. C. Barlow; W. H. Vireah and A. O. Brown.

Tennis in Tokyo.

In the tennis matches played in Tokyo by the Hongkong Garrison team, both sides came off with honours, each side winning three matches and scoring the same number of games.

DEATH OF A BANK COM-
FRADORE.

Set Ewe Boon, proprietor of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation since 1890, died on heart failure at 1 a.m. on June 18, at his residence, Boon Villa, Balmoral Road, Singapore. Deceased, who was well known in Singapore, was the second son of the late Set Eng Whait, and was the first British subject to carry on business as a merchant in Amoy. He was a member of the Amoy Chamber of Commerce, and was a member of the Amoy Chamber of Commerce, and was a member of the Amoy Chamber of Commerce.

The Chief Justice—The point you will have to deal with is that the confession is not connected with Wong Hui Tong's charges. The confessions are of small value at the Police Court and the charges are of great value.

Mr. Potter—The case of Wong Hui Tong was discovered after the interview of March 20th. I know these confessions do not relate to Wong Hui Tong, but that is why I say you have to decide which of these two is lying.

After the adjournment for after, the point was further dealt with, after which the Chief Justice asked—Supporting one of us were of opinion that the charges fall, what are you going to do with the confessions? Are we to exercise our disciplinary powers on the confessions?

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE OPIUM QUESTION.

Unofficial Members Protest in Council.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

SIR—I was very pleased to read "Observer's" letter in your issue of June 18th, referring to the speeches made at the last meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council on the question of compensation by the Home Government for the loss of the Opium Revenue.

I cannot help thinking that to the eyes of the outside world, Hongkong must be playing a somewhat inglorious part in this matter. One can understand the attitude of those who see a need for the curtailment of the opium trade and who are prepared to sacrifice nothing in order to lessen it. Their position is at least logical. But to say first of all, as Mr. Murray Stewart did, that support would be given to the policy of assisting the curtailment of the opium trade and then to say that it would be only right for the whole of the demonstrable loss to revenue to be made good by the English taxpayer, is not unlike wishing to have the reputation for good works without any paying last, and also being generous with other people's money, at other people's expense—a very easy thing to do! It is difficult to see any reason why the Home Government should be asked to contribute anything like the whole of the loss of revenue. Why, for instance, should my father at home, who belongs to the hardworking professional classes and possesses a very limited income, be called upon to meet fresh taxation in order to pay for the generosity of a Hongkonger, who is, and who lives in a comparative luxury to which he can never hope to attain? If we are Imperialists not merely in name, let us be fair to the Home Country and be willing to bear some of the burdens of Empire.—Eours, etc.

P. R.

HONGKONG SERVICE NOTES.

BILLIARDS.

The Garrison Billiard Championship, for which entries close at the end of this month, will no doubt attract a large number of entries. Handsome prizes are being offered by the Soldiers' Club, and the draw for the first round is being looked forward to with more than usual interest.

R.E. QUADRILLE CLUB.

The R.E. QUADRILLE club held their monthly meeting last night, and although the standards were not quite up to the usual, a very enjoyable evening was spent. Solo were ably rendered by Misses Clegg and Benfield and Mr. Allan, and these, with a few of the usual dances, helped to while time away in happy fashion.

WATER POLO.

The fact that the water polo craze is "catching on" is once more made apparent by the fact that the Buffs have taken to the popular outdoor game. Not content with entering the local league, they have formed a Co. League of their own and hope by the practice and training provided in this way to be able to put a team out which will be a credit to the local standard. The draw for the first round of the Co. League is as follows:—

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A. Co. v. D. Co.

B. Co. v. F. Co.

G. Co. v. E. Co.

This round to be played in the R.E. Club on or before the 30th inst.

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WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 25th at 11.55 a.m.—The depression entered Hongkong near Haiphong last night.

The barometer has risen quickly over the Western and northern shores of the China Sea, and a slight rise has taken place on the E. coast of China. It has fallen moderately over Japan owing to a depression which appears to be moving Eastwards in the Japan Sea.

Pressure remains high over the Pacific to the E. of Japan.

Moderate S. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel, and along the S. coast of China.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m., to-day, 1.04 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

1.—Hongkong and neighbourhood: S. winds, moderate to squally, showers.

2.—Formosa Channel, Same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: S. winds, fresh.



ON HIS DOCTOR'S ADVICE.

THE YOUNG MAN IN COLORED-BROKEN

DOWN WITH DEBILITY, BILIOUS

HEADACHES AND OTHER AFFLICTIONS—TOOK

DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

THEY SPEEDILY MADE HIM WELL.

PHYSICIANS as a rule dislike prophe-

cy medicines and object to their

patients using them. No better guarantee,

then, as the merits of Dr. Williams' Pink

Pills, could be wished for than is furnished

by the fact that many doctors of high

standing not only approve of their use,

especially in cases of Anemia, Nervous

Weakness and General Debility, but also

actually prescribe them for their patients,

knowing full well that no better tonic, blood-

forming, and strength-restoring medicine is

to be found.

It was one of the most popular and valu-

able doctors in Colombo—medical etiquette

forbids us mentioning his name—who

prescribed Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Mr

John Perera, now a healthy young clerk

in the service of Messrs. Scherbert & Co.,

Teikohoff and Co., agents for the Russian

Volunteer Force, but at that time out of

employment because he was too weak and

ill to work.

"Some two years ago I became afflicted

with acute pains throughout the whole

body, frequent headaches and great weak-

ness," said Mr. Perera, when interviewed.

"At that time I was employed as a clerk

in the Chartered Bank of India, Australia

and China, but so enfeebled did I become

as a result of this ill health that I had to

resign my position and cease all work

for about three months. My eyes troubled

me exceedingly; they were

WEAK AND PAINFUL AND DIM.

The eyeballs were yellow and also blood-

shot at times. I hurt me and made me

feel giddy to look at the light. I suffered

with biliousness, sleeplessness, great de-

pression of spirits, my appetite was poor

and I became exceedingly thin and weak."

"As first I tried various medicines on

my own account, hoping thus to get strong

again, but nothing I took restored my

health. Then I put myself into the hands

of one of the best-known physicians in

Colombo, and he instructed me to take

cold baths, to give up the use of tea, coffee,

and all stimulants.

"No time having been afforded

and my Goods remaining in the Godowns

after the 2nd July, 1909, will be subject

to rent.

THE Company's Steamship Enterprise

Franc Ferdinand having arrived,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby in-

formed that their Goods, with the

exception of Opium, Treasures and Valu-

ables, are being landed and stored at this

link into the hazardous and/or extra hazar-

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Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,

Kowloon and West Point Godowns, whence

delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods

remaining undelivered after the 2nd of

July will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 2nd July, at 2 p.m.

To-day's Advertisements

Make no Mistake
about it!

WATSON'S

No. 10

SCOTCH
WHISKY

of the best from Dundee. Demand it.

Agents for Hong-Kong: WATKIN'S LTD., Apothecaries Hall.

Hongkong, June 25, 1909.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by Public Auction, for account of the

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),

the 26th June, 1909, at 11 a.m., at their

Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road,

Corner of Ice House Street,

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD

FURNITURE.

Comprising—

AMERICAN WOODEN BEDSTEPS, WARD-

ROBES, OVERSTAIRS, KITCHENETTE

TABLE, PICTURE, &c., 2 COTTAGE PIANOS

AND ONE PIANO.

Also

A quantity of Khaki, 2 Cases of H&M

and One "SONBEAM" latest pattern 3

SPEED GEAR BICYCLE in very good con-

dition.

TERMS.—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 25, 1909.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI-

GATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND

SHANGHAI.

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At 11 a.m., on the 2nd July, 1909, or they will not be re-

ceived.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 25, 1909.

MOGUL LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP SIRH.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND

STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby

informed that, as Goods are

being landed at their risk into the

Godowns of the Hongkong and Kow-

loon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd.,

at Kowloon, whence and/or from the

harbour delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all

Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd

July will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be

presented to the Undersigned on or before

the 26th July, or they will not be re-

ceived.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods

are to be left in the Godowns, where they

will be examined on the 2nd July, at 2 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., Ltd.,

Agents.

Hongkong, June 25, 1909.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

June 24.

Fri. Norwegian steamer, 860, O. Wagon,

Haiphong June 17, and Hothow 22, Rice,

Bullocks and Pigs.—AGARD, THOMAS &

Co.

Spir. Norwegian steamer, 870, W. Horn,

Wuhu June 19, Rice.—AGARD, THOMAS &

Co.

Tykim. Dutch steamer, 2,826, H. Koop,

Macassar June 16, General.—JAYA-CHINA

JAPAN-LINE.

Sth. British steamer, 3,231, Atkinson,

Birkenhead May 15, General.—DODWELL

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June 25.

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